

**MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE  
ON  
HEALTH POLICY**

Tuesday, November 28, 2006

10:30 a.m.

Room 521 House Office Building

The House Standing Committee on Health Policy was called to order by the Chair.

Members present: Reps. Gaffney, Newell, Robertson, Vander Veen, Hune, Ward, Nofs, Ball, Green, Mortimer, Adamini, Wojno, McDowell, Gleason, Angerer, Clack.

Members absent/excused: Rep. Kahn.

Representative Robertson moved to approve the minutes of the November 14, 2006 meeting. Representative Adamini supported the motion. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid SB 465, SB 466, and SB 468 before the committee.

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| <b>SB 465</b> | <b>Jacobs</b>    | Health; medical records; provision for the protection, retention, and maintenance of medical records; implement.   |
| <b>SB 466</b> | <b>Patterson</b> | Human services; other; requirement to protect, maintain, retain, and dispose of patient medical records and other individually identifying information; establish. |
| <b>SB 468</b> | <b>Cherry</b>    | Civil rights; public records; protected health information; exempt from disclosure under freedom of information act.   |

Senator Gilda Jacobs, sponsor of SB 465, testified in support of the bills.

The following individuals submitted cards in support of the bills, but did not wish to testify:

Curtis Hertel Jr. of the Michigan Department of Community Health.

Laura Appel of the Michigan Hospital Association.

Meghan Swain of the Michigan Nurses Association.

Terry Gerald of the Detroit Medical Center submitted a cards in support of SB 465, but did not wish to testify.

Representative Mortimer moved to report SB 465 with recommendation. Representative Gleason supported the motion. **The motion prevailed 13-0-0.**

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL**

**Yeas: Reps. Gaffney, Robertson, Ward, Nofs, Ball, Green, Mortimer, Adamini, Wojno, McDowell, Gleason, Angerer, Clack.**

**Nays: None.**  
**Pass: None.**

Representative Robertson moved to report SB 466 with recommendation. Representative Gleason supported the motion. **The motion prevailed 14-0-0.**

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL**

**Yeas: Reps. Gaffney, Robertson, Vander Veen, Ward, Nofs, Ball, Green, Mortimer, Adamini, Wojno, McDowell, Gleason, Angerer, Clack.**  
**Nays: None.**  
**Pass: None.**

Representative Robertson moved to report SB 468 with recommendation. Representative Gleason supported the motion. **The motion prevailed 15-0-0.**

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL**

**Yeas: Reps. Gaffney, Newell, Robertson, Vander Veen, Ward, Nofs, Ball, Green, Mortimer, Adamini, Wojno, McDowell, Gleason, Angerer, Clack.**  
**Nays: None.**  
**Pass: None.**

The Chair laid HB 5923 and HB 5927 before the committee.

<b>HB 5923</b>	<b>Amos</b>	Mental health; recipient rights; reporting procedure for the state recipient rights director; clarify.
<b>HB 5927</b>	<b>Leland</b>	Mental health; other; medical director of mental health services; provide for.

Representative Fran Amos, sponsor of HB 5923, testified in support of the bill.

Representative Gabe Leland, sponsor of HB 5927, testified in support of the bill.

Mark Reinstein of the Mental Health Association in Michigan testified in support of the bills. Mr. Reinstein also submitted written testimony. Questions and discussion among committee members followed.

The following individuals submitted cards in support of the bills, but did not wish to testify:

Curtis Hertel Jr. of the Michigan Department of Community Health.  
Kathleen Gross of the Michigan Psychiatric Society. Ms. Gross also submitted written testimony.  
Tom Masseau of Michigan Protection and Advocacy Services.  
Andrew Dabish of the Chaldean Catholic Church.  
Meghan Swain of the Michigan Nurses Association.  
Dave LaLumia of the Michigan Association of Community Mental Health Boards.

Representative Mortimer moved to report HB 5923 with recommendation. Representative Adamini supported the motion. **The motion prevailed 15-0-0.**

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL**

**Yeas: Reps. Gaffney, Newell, Robertson, Vander Veen, Ward, Nofs, Ball, Green, Mortimer, Adamini, Wojno, McDowell, Gleason, Angerer, Clack.**

**Nays: None.**

**Pass: None.**

Representative Ward moved to adopt substitute (H-1) for HB 5927. Representative Gleason supported the motion. **The motion prevailed 15-0-0.**

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL**

**Yeas: Reps. Gaffney, Newell, Robertson, Vander Veen, Ward, Nofs, Ball, Green, Mortimer, Adamini, Wojno, McDowell, Gleason, Angerer, Clack.**

**Nays: None.**

**Pass: None.**

Representative Ward moved to report HB 5927 with recommendation as substitute (H-1). Representative Gleason supported the motion. **The motion prevailed 16-0-0.**

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL**

**Yeas: Reps. Gaffney, Newell, Robertson, Vander Veen, Hune, Ward, Nofs, Ball, Green, Mortimer, Adamini, Wojno, McDowell, Gleason, Angerer, Clack.**

**Nays: None.**

**Pass: None.**

The Chair laid HB 6392 before the committee.

**HB 6392 Shaffer**

Occupations; dentists; special volunteer license for retired dentists; provide for.

Representative Rick Shaffer, sponsor of HB 6392, testified in support of the bill. Representative Shaffer also submitted written testimony. Questions and discussion among committee members followed.

Mike Pontack of the Michigan Association of Commercial Dental Laboratories testified in support of the bill.

The following individuals submitted cards in support of the bill, but did not wish to testify:

Caroline Ruddell of the Michigan Dental Association.

Curtis Hertel Jr. of the Michigan Department of Community Health.

Mark Burton of the Michigan Trial Lawyers Association submitted a card indicating a neutral position on the bill, but did not wish to testify.

Representative Robertson moved to adopt substitute (H-1) for HB 6392. Representative Adamini supported the motion. **The motion prevailed 15-0-0.**

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL**

**Yeas: Reps. Gaffney, Newell, Robertson, Hune, Ward, Nofs, Ball, Green, Mortimer, Adamini, Wojno, McDowell, Gleason, Angerer, Clack.**

**Nays: None.**

**Pass: None.**

Representative Robertson moved to report HB 6392 with recommendation as substitute (H-1). Representative Adamini supported the motion. **The motion prevailed 15-0-0.**

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL**

**Yeas: Reps. Gaffney, Newell, Robertson, Hune, Ward, Nofs, Ball, Green, Mortimer, Adamini, Wojno, McDowell, Gleason, Angerer, Clack.**

**Nays: None.**

**Pass: None.**

The Chair laid HB 6603 before the committee.

**HB 6603 Caswell** Insurance; health; health care insurer file sharing; require.

Representative Bruce Caswell, sponsor of HB 6603, testified in support of the bill.

Frank Venuto of Golden Rule Insurance Company and Larry Kish of the Life Insurance Association of Michigan testified on the bill.

Curtis Hertel Jr. of the Michigan Department of Community Health submitted a card in support of the bill, but did not wish to testify.

Representative Robertson moved to adopt substitute (H-1) for HB 6603. Representative Gleason supported the motion. **The motion prevailed 14-0-2.**

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL**

**Yeas: Reps. Gaffney, Newell, Robertson, Vander Veen, Hune, Ward, Ball, Mortimer, Adamini, Wojno, McDowell, Gleason, Angerer, Clack.**

**Nays: None.**

**Pass: Reps. Nofs, Green.**

Representative Robertson moved to report HB 6603 with recommendation as substitute (H-1). Representative Gleason supported the motion. **The motion prevailed 14-0-2.**

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL**

**Yeas: Reps. Gaffney, Newell, Robertson, Vander Veen, Hune, Ward, Ball, Mortimer, Adamini, Wojno, McDowell, Gleason, Angerer, Clack.**

**Nays: None.**

**Pass: Reps. Nofs, Green.**

The Chair laid HB 6390 before the committee.

**HB 6390 Waters** Records; birth; free certified copy of birth certificate for homeless individual; provide for.

Sherie Davy of Representative Waters' office testified in support of the bill.

Bill Zaagman of the Michigan Association of County Clerks submitted a card in opposition to the bill, but did not wish to testify.

Representative Gleason moved to adopt substitute (H-1) for HB 6390. Representative Mortimer supported the motion. **The motion prevailed 16-0-0.**

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL**

**Yeas: Reps. Gaffney, Newell, Robertson, Vander Veen, Hune, Ward, Nofs, Ball, Green, Mortimer, Adamini, Wojno, McDowell, Gleason, Angerer, Clack.**

**Nays: None.**

**Pass: None.**

Representative Gleason moved to report HB 6390 with recommendation as substitute (H-1). Representative Green supported the motion. **The motion prevailed 16-0-0.**

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL**

**Yeas: Reps. Gaffney, Newell, Robertson, Vander Veen, Hune, Ward, Nofs, Ball, Green, Mortimer, Adamini, Wojno, McDowell, Gleason, Angerer, Clack.**

**Nays: None.**

**Pass: None.**

The Chair laid SB 1426 before the committee.

**SB 1426 Hammerstrom** Insurance; health; certain government employees having rights under the patient's right to independent review act; provide for.

Stacey Hettiger of the House Republican Policy Office testified on the bill.

Brian Sydnor of the Office of Financial and Insurance Services testified in support of the bill. Mr. Sydnor also submitted written testimony.

Chair Gaffney offered the following amendment to SB 1426:

1. Amend page 2, following 15, by inserting:  
“Sec. 3. This act does not apply to a self-funded plan that provides coverage only for dental, vision care, or any other limited supplemental benefit.”.

Representative Robertson moved to adopt the amendment. Representative Gleason supported the motion. **The motion prevailed 16-0-0.**

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL**

**Yeas: Reps. Gaffney, Newell, Robertson, Vander Veen, Hune, Ward, Nofs, Ball, Green, Mortimer, Adamini, Wojno, McDowell, Gleason, Angerer, Clack.**

**Nays: None.**

**Pass: None.**

Representative Robertson moved to report SB 1426 with recommendation as amended, as substitute (H-1). Representative Gleason supported the motion. **The motion prevailed 16-0-0.**

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL**

**Yeas: Reps. Gaffney, Newell, Robertson, Vander Veen, Hune, Ward, Nofs, Ball, Green, Mortimer, Adamini, Wojno, McDowell, Gleason, Angerer, Clack.**

**Nays: None.**

**Pass: None.**

Representative Vander Veen moved to excuse the absence of Representative Kahn. Representative McDowell supported the motion. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

There being no further business before the committee, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 11:24 a.m.

**Representative Edward Gaffney, Chair** \_\_\_\_\_

Dan Stump, Committee Clerk.  
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